and a majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum to transact the business thereof. The term of office of the members of the first number so appointed shall be as follows: the nominee from the Maryland Fire Underwriters Rating Bureau, the nominee from the Electrical Contractors' Associations, and the nominee from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of Maryland, two (2) years; the nominee from the Municipal Inspector, one (1) nominee from the Electrical Contractors' Associations, and the person at large, two (2) years unless removed for cause. Should any vacancy occur from any cause during the term of any Board as herein provided, the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, shall appoint someone from nominations made as above provided, to fill such vacancy. The Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, shall have full power to remove any member of the Board for incompetency or improper conduct upon satisfactory evidence being presented to him of such condition. The exercise or performance of all powers, authority, duties and functions vested in the Board by the provisions of this subtitle, shall be subject to the power and authority of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation as set forth in Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, or elsewhere in the laws of this State.

Szc. 26. And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, 14, 15B, 57, and 60 of Article 78 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1969 Replacement Volume), title "Public Service Commission Law," subtitle "Public Service Commission," subheading "Functions, Duties and Powers of the Commission," be and they are hereby repealed and recnacted, with amendments, all to read as follows:

## 3.

The Public Service Commission is hereby established as a part of the Department of Licensing and Regulation and shall be the agency to administer this article, and to carry out fully and effectually the functions committed to it by law, subject to the authority of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation.

## <del>5.</del>

The Commission shall consist of three commissioners, appointed by the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation. Each commissioner must be at least 25 years of age, must be a registered voter resident in Maryland when he is appointed and when he qualified, and must have been a resident of Maryland for at least five years next preceding his appointment. The Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and regulation, shall designate one of the commissioners as chairman, and the chairman shall serve in that capacity until expiration of his term as commissioner. Commissioners shall be eligible for reappointment.

## 6.

The term of each commissioner shall be six years from the expiration of his predecessor's term. A commissioner shall continue in office after his term expires until his successor has qualified, but